

LOCAL ITEMS.

The news from Walnut is encouraging.

Pugilistic entertainments are in vogue over at the Hill.

The *Record* thinks Rich Hill is hard run when capitalists have to be taken there by subpoena.

We have them. The most desirable lots in the city. Cheap. Terms easy.

If you want a cheap home on easy terms, call round and we will show you some daisy lots.

If you want the best bargains in residence lots offered in Butler, call at this office. Terms easy.

John Hayes is busily engaged assessing Mt. Pleasant township. He is taking great pains to do a thorough job of work.

Work has been commenced on the flax mill at Rich Hill. They expect to have it ready for business some time next fall.

A contract has been signed by a Chicago company to put down a diamond drill in Rich Hill to the depth of 1,000 feet.

Humphrey's addition south of the city is attracting quite general attention. Several lots have already been spoken for. Enquire at this office.

A great change has come over Mr. Irish. He don't denounce Walnut as a swindle any more. What can be the matter with Tommy?

We regret to announce the death of a son of W. H. McCants. He was nine years old, a promising boy and his untimely death leaves a vacant place which none can fill.

We learn that a gentleman named Bear will shortly start a merchant tailoring and furnishing store in the opera house. He will carry a large stock and will sell at bottom figures.

Judge Henry came over from Walnut on last Friday. He says everything is extremely lively. One man from Sedalia bought 43 lots and nearly the whole number laid off by the town company have been sold.

August 1st was the time set for paying off the hands at work on the railroad. J. W. Wemott, of Walnut, says they were paid last week. Mr. Scullen is looked for every day when steps will at once be taken to begin work on an extensive scale.

P. C. Fulkerson returned on Friday from a trip to Fort Smith. He thinks that city has a bright future before it. Carthage, this state, is also going ahead. Water-works and numerous manufacturing enterprises are among her attractions. That's what it takes to make a city "git up and git."

A proposition to put in water-works was submitted to the city council on last Wednesday night, by W. F. Reader, engineer of the company proposing to do the work. At the regular meeting on Thursday night, the matter was laid over for one week. It will be published in ample time for all parties to examine it before the election comes off.

Canterbury & Catron greet the readers of the *TIMES* with an ad. offering to insure against fire, lightning and cyclone. These gentlemen are both well known to the public as straight-forward business men who can be depended on to do exactly what they agree. We have no hesitation in recommending them to all who wish to take out insurance. Read their advertisement.

H. R. Livingston brings the information that a New York capitalist was in Walnut City, one day last week, and offered to purchase every lot in the place at double the price asked by the town company. He was willing to take all at that rate, both those still owned by the town company and those which have been sold. The man from Gotham said he could make a million out of such a trade.

The drouth in the north part of the county is becoming distressing. T. B. Webb, near Adrian, says corn is suffering. Abundance of rain has fallen on both sides of the district. Unless rain comes soon, the corn crop is bound to be cut short.

A tramp struck it rich up on Mormon Fork the other day. He was reticent about telling his business and a farmer concluded he was an oil prospector in disguise. He kept the tramp over night, fed him on the best and stuffed him with oil stories. He is still looking for the return of the disguised capitalist. He will look in vain.

There is no longer any doubt that the railroad will be built. Everything is settled, and, as soon as Mr. Scullen gets matters in proper shape, work will begin all along the line. It's a settled fact although a couple of weeks may elapse before much is done. He is a practical road-builder and will not commence until he is thoroughly prepared to push ahead in good shape.

Levy's grand clearance sale for 30 days only.

The *Review* talks of building another city in the west part of the county. If it is attempted, Butler will not imitate the cowardly, sneaking course pursued by certain parties in Rich Hill toward Walnut. Neither will our city send a man to St. Louis to tell a pack of stuff to capitalists who have invested in it. Trot out your new town and we will give you all possible assistance.

M. S. Cowles, of Rich Hill, stopped in this city, last Friday, on his way east. He goes to purchase pumps and other machinery for the oil company. Mr. Cowles stated that the oil has been analyzed and pronounced lubricating oil of good quality. Its value will be about \$6 a barrel. It things turn out as Mr. Cowles expects, it will be much more valuable than petroleum. It is the intention not to sink the well deeper as petroleum might be found and thus render the oil less valuable.

Attention is called to the ad of Threlkeld, Coy & Co., who have recently opened a first-class clothing store on the north side of the square. Mr. Threlkeld is an old hand at the business from Kansas City, and knows exactly what he is doing. He has charge of the store. Mr. Coy is manager of the wholesale house of Tootle, Hanna & Co., Kansas City. The Co. is a Mr. Sims who was conductor on the railroad for two years. It will be seen that they are well prepared to carry on the business in which they have embarked.

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Wm. Hardy, who was sent to the penitentiary for two years from this county, in 1881, for forging a note on J. P. Willis, has again turned up as a criminal in Des Moines, Iowa. He and another party murdered two men near that city. They were chased for 100 miles and caught. The case was very aggravating. Ropes were put around their necks with the intention of hanging them. Hardy begged for time to write a letter to his mother. By this means it was found out who he was. The authorities wrote to T. W. Silvers to learn something of his past career. We are indebted to Mr. Silvers for the above facts. Hardy was at one time a very promising young man but has now gone too far on the downward road to ever retrace his steps.

Well Rewarded.

A liberal reward will be paid to any party who will produce a case of Liver, Kidney or Stomach complaint that Electric Bitters will not speedily cure. Bring them along, it will cost you nothing for the medicine if it fails to cure, and you will be well rewarded for your trouble besides. All Blood diseases, Biliousness, Jaundice, Constipation, and general debility are quickly cured. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Price only fifty cents per bottle. For sale by F. M. Crumly & Co., City Drug store. No 5

HURAH FOR ADRIAN.

Another Company to Commence Prospecting for Oil Within Sixty Days.

The Great Coal and Oil Basin of Bates to be Developed.

The reorganized Butler company is making preparations to commence work on the Marshall farm on Mormon Fork, if they have not already commenced. H. J. Foote, one of the prospectors who discovered oil at Rich Hill, who is in this city on Saturday last. From him we learned that his company has decided to begin work at a point 2 1/2 miles west of Adrian, within sixty days. They have leased a tract of 300 acres on which oil indications are good. An agent will be sent east in a few days to purchase the necessary machinery to commence. He says his opinion of the value of the Adrian oil fields has not changed from the time he first saw them in December of last year. Since the discovery at Rich Hill, his belief in the future of Adrian oil has been, if possible, stronger than before. It is bound to prove immense. The machinery used at the Hill has been sold and this is why a new outfit has to be purchased before work can commence.

Mr. Foote says parties from Pennsylvania are scouring the entire county of Bates searching for oil and trying to make a survey of the oil region. Agents of the pipe-line company are endeavoring to get control of the whole thing. Half a dozen agents and capitalists are looking over the field with the intention of prospecting. All are sanguine of realizing immense fortunes from the Bates county oil fields. We are on the eve of something equal to Pennsylvania in her palmest days. Mr. Foote said he intended to go up to Adrian again on yesterday. He was on his way from that place to the Hill on last Saturday. A Pennsylvanian accompanied him if he went as expected. There is a bonanza at Adrian and on Mormon and his company are determined to have a share in it.

The oil at the Hill, says Mr. Foote is not petroleum, as at first supposed but lubricating oil. It was found in the second sand, and, if the well had been sunk to the third sand, petroleum would have been found. As lubricating oil is much more profitable, they do not intend to bother with the third sand at present. This coincides with Mr. Cowles' statements, who is now in the East to purchase all necessary pumps and machinery for handling the oil at the Hill. Now is the time for Adrian to strike. Her destiny is now within her own control but three months hence, the golden opportunity will have passed never to return. The opportunity lost last spring has returned. The oil is there and it is going to be developed and that quickly. Never did a small town have the future possibilities which now open up before Adrian. A mistake will do the work for her, the right step will settle her destiny for all time to come. Noiggardly, stingy course, no penny-wise and pound-foolish policy will win. Her citizens must arise equal to the occasion or Oil City will become a reality and Adrian sink back to insignificance.

A New Addition.

A. H. Humphrey has laid off an addition to the south side of the city. The lots are now offered for sale and those desiring to purchase can not do better. They are more convenient to the business part of the city than any others offered at as low rates. Property will go up rapidly within the next few months. A good profit can be made if they are bought on speculation.

Horticultural Society.

All interested in organizing a horticultural society are requested to meet at the court house in Butler, at 2 o'clock, p. m., Aug. 11. Steps will then be taken to organize and transact such other business as may be thought proper.

E. P. Henry. C. I. Robards,
L. P. Sicehoff. J. B. Innis,
H. Speer. W. H. Holloway.

Land For Sale.

100 Acres Good Improved Land in Shawnee township, with House, Orchard and never failing water.

ALSO A 90 ACRE FARM
6 miles north of Butler, with house, good orchard and lasting water. Parties desiring a bargain in a farm will do well to call on

S. B. NEWBILL.
Butler Mo.

Council Proceedings.

At Thursday night's meeting of the city council an order was made authorizing street commissioner Trimble to establish a grade on the four streets running to the square, and instructing him to put city engineer Trapp on the work at once.

Permission was granted to D. N. Thompson & Co., to move the Grange store building into the street until a new store room can be put up in its place.

Application for wine and beer license, sent in by M. Jones of West Butler, was refused.

The present board is decidedly in favor of the whole hog or none on the license question.

The council agreed to put gutters in at the opera house corner provided Mr. Walton and other parties owning property where gutters were made would macadamize the street in front of such property. This Mr. Walton proposed to do.

The proposition to submit the water-works ordinance was held over until Thursday night next.

A large batch of bills was examined and allowed, aggregating several hundred dollars.—*Record*.

Andrews' Bazar for August is by all odds the handsomest number ever published. It is evident that it has fallen into hands who know what the ladies want in a fashion paper, and know how to publish it. Its low price (only \$1 a year) places it within the reach of all, while its stories and table of contents generally, compare very favorably with those of the high cost foreign and American publications of its class. Published by

THE AMERICAN BAZAR CO.,
202 Broadway, N.Y.

At a recent meeting of the South Haven and Casco Pomological society. Mr. Joseph Lannin related the following curious incident: "Early in the evening, fearing a frost might injure his Niagara grapes, they gathered everything available to cover them; the result was that every vine covered with white cloth had all the buds killed, while those that were covered with dark cloth and those not covered at all were not injured in the least."

Young fruit trees, which were set out last autumn or this spring will be more sure to live and grow well if the soil about them is kept clean and mellow, and a hard crust not allowed to form for a distance of at least two or three feet on each side.

A Run on a Drug Store.

Never was such a rush made for any Drug Store as is now at F. M. Crumly & Co's. for a Trial Bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and colds. All persons affected with asthma, bronchitis, Hoarseness, Severe coughs or any affection of the Throat and lungs can get a Trial Bottle of this great remedy free by calling at above Drug Store. Regular size \$1.00. No 5

Jacksons Liniment works wonders. Gus Wyard keeps it.

Where you see the big red gilt finished "HAME" sign, on the southeast corner is where Gus Wyard holds forth with his usual large stock of Harness and Saddles. 24 tf

Trunks! Trunks!

A. F. Wyard has just invoiced a fine new line of trunks and valises. Call and price them. 27-tf

For Sale or Rent.

Tree or four houses in different parts of the city, enquire of
DR. EVERINGHAM, 23tf.

HOUSE TO RENT.—Frame building, south side square, east of J. D. Ratter's store.
tf. J. SCUDDER.

Lumber! Lumber!

On and After August 1st, 1883.

All sales of Lumber from our Yard must be for

CASH or ITS EQUIVALENT

Excepting when we are furnishing lumber for the entire building, and settlement on all such bills must be made at the completion of the work. By adopting this method we can give better

Grades of Lumber for the Money

than formerly, and better satisfaction to all parties interested. We will deliver Lumber Free of Charge, to any part of the city.

All Outstanding Accounts on our Books.

(Excepting those on which special contracts have been made), are due August 1st, and we must ask all to come forward and settle. We invite all to call and examine our prices and grades before purchasing. Respectfully,

H. C. WYATT & CO

THE AMERICAN CLOTHING HOUSE,

OF

THRELKELD, COY & CO.

Are just opening a full line of

MEN AND BOYS CLOTHING

Furnishing Goods,

HATS AND CAPS,

And we only ask you to examine our goods get our prices and be convinced.

North Side of Square, Butler, Mo.

D. V. BROWN.

FRED O. LEFKER.

Empire Mills

BUTLER, MO.

BROWN & LEFKER,

(Successors to JOHN A. LEFKER.)

PROPRIETORS.

Having leased and thoroughly overhauled and repaired these mills we are now prepared to do all kinds of milling. We have also added another new burr as well as other improved machinery. So that we now have four run of burrs as well as the best of facilities for accommodating our customers. We guarantee satisfaction. Flour and feed always on hand, custom work a specialty. Give us a trial. We pay cash for wheat and corn or take the same on deposit.

BROWN & LEFKER.